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The 81st Congress has now completed its work, except for the enactment of a quickie tax measure, and possibly some further enabling legislation, the nature of which can be better determined after the Nov elections.

A realistic analysis of the activities of this Congress forces the conviction that it has been definitely "liberal". Because of news value, public prints have emphasized sporadic instances where Congress has departed from the Administration pattern. However, except for failure to repeal TAFT-HARTLEY (a campaign pledge), the legislative branch has given Pres TRUMAN just about everything he really wanted. Of course civil rights program has gone by the boards and is probably now out for the duration of high defense spending. But simple truth is that insiders didn't want these measures enacted. Good campaign fodder, but if they actually became laws of the land, there's grave danger of unfavorable reaction. Practical politicians would much prefer to maintain *status quo* and blame Republicans for sabotaging the bills.

As to elections: Democratic chances improve with brighter news from Korea, but situation remains fluid. "Consult your local newspapers for later developments."

SUMNER H SLICHTER, economist: "The Russian policy is not making the U S weaker—it is making the U S stronger." 1-Q

MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

DEAN ACHESON, Sec'y of State: "Public life in America is a rough school. It is no place for anyone who is thin-skinned, or who can work only in an atmosphere of approbation." 2-Q

Gen GEO C KENNEY, World War II Air Chief in southwest Pacific: "Father Time is not marching these days—he is riding a jet airplane." 3-Q

SARAH T HUGHES, pres of Nat'l Fed of Business & Professional Women, declaring women should be drafted as well as men if war comes: "They have the rights and privileges of gov't. They should take the responsibilities, too." 4-Q

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, Prime Minister of India: "If a nation develops the military mentality, there is little hope for that nation." 5-Q

PHILIP MURRAY, pres, CIO: "(Leaders of industry) are awfully fond of money. They never seem to know that when they get too much, it isn't good for them." 6-Q

DIMITRI MITROPOULOS, conductor, N Y Philharmonic: "Time was when (Americans) were so self-conscious about their lack of culture it was pitiful. Now they've gone beyond Europe's level—just for good measure." 7-Q

Brig Gen CARLOS P ROMULO, Philippine Sec'y of For'gn Affairs: "As things now stand, most of the free peoples of Asia are wary both of the Western Powers and of the Soviet Union." 8-Q

FRANK LEAHY, coach of Notre Dame football team defeated after 39 straight wins: "It's a real test of real people to lose like champions." 9-Q

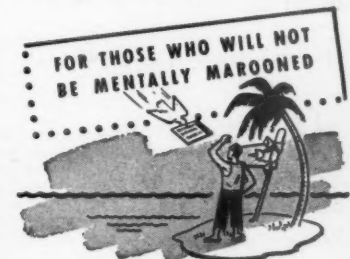
Sen ESTES KEFAUVER, of Tenn: "People in crime haven't any political philosophy. They play both sides of the st." 10-Q

Sir GLADWYN JEBB, British delegate to UN: "Democracy is a system whereby political power is not permanent, absolute and centralized, but rather variable, qualified and diffuse." 11-Q

BERNARD M BARUCH, elder statesman: "The conditions of the average man under communism have not improved in 34 yrs—a full generation since the Russian revolution." 12-Q

Rep JOS W MARTIN of Mass: "Both Stalin and Lenin have said that they can wreck America only by forcing her to spend her way to collapse." 13-Q

W STUART SYMINGTON, chmn, Nat'l Security Resources Bd: "The U S is in far greater danger than it has ever been in history." 14-Q





ABILITY—1

An ambitious mother wrote to Alfred Hitchcock: "I have a perfectly beautiful daughter. She is 17 yrs old, 5 ft 3 in's tall, blonde, and weighs 118 lbs. Do you think she might succeed in the movies?"

To which the famed director replied: "Madam: It would be impossible to say, as you did not state her width."—*Wall St Jnl.*

AMERICA—2

Magistrate Morris Rothenberg, Zionist leader who died recently, once presided in Traffic Court where a man who was given a ticket for speeding pleaded: "Guilty, with an explanation." The "explanation" was, "I'm a refugee, Your Honor." Magistrate Rothenberg fined him and said, "If you're a refugee, you don't have to speed. You've already arrived."—*LEONARD LYONS, McNaught Syndicate.*

ART—3

"None of my pictures has ever completely satisfied me," noted seascape artist Frederick Waugh is said to have remarked. "But I hope that some day I can paint one picture of which I can say, 'This is the sea.'"—*American Artist.*

AVIATION—Safety—4

There are almost 3 doz airlines operating in the U S and possessions, and most of them have never had a fatal accident. Last yr there were some 5 million take-offs and landings of scheduled passenger planes, or 1 every 8 sec's, and just 4 fatal accidents. There was 1 passenger fatality for every 100 million passenger mi's flown.—*Elks Mag.*

BOOKS—5

Few books that are any good appear in our elementary or high school curriculum. It is perfectly possible to graduate from a good American college without reading a single great book in its entirety.

—*Dr ROBERT M HUTCHINS, Ladies' Home Jnl.*

BRAVERY—6

"I'm not afraid of anything," bragged Maurice. "Once I even cut off a lion's tail with my pen-knife."

"Why didn't you cut off his head?" someone asked.

Maurice became rather sheepish. "Well, to tell the truth, someone had already cut it off."—*L'Action Sociale, Haiti. (QUOTE translation)*

BUSINESS—7

"Whenever I need an exec at my office," said a banker, "I take the man home with me for an evening. If the dog puts his head on his knee, if our kitten jumps up on his lap, and if he tells my wife her dinner dress is pretty, I hire him."—*Better Homes & Gardens.*

CHARACTER—8

You can not build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence.—*Nat'l Tribune—Stars & Stripes.*

COLOR—9

Blackfriars Bridge in London was known as "suicide bridge." The color was a somber black, and had an adverse affect on citizens who, tired of life, wanted to cross the Rubicon. Authorities finally con-

sulted a color specialist, and in accordance with his advice painted the bridge green. The number of suicides diminished at once.—*Aujourd'hui, Montreal, Canada. (QUOTE translation)*

COMMUNISM—10

The happy ending to romance cannot cut across the lines of class warfare in Communist Hungary. A girl whose father, a mbr of the Party, worked on a collective farm, fell in love with the son of a small landowner who opposed losing his land to the state. Hungarian custom calls for the banns to be announced 3 times in church before the engagement is final.

After the 1st announcement was made, the Communist party sec'y, accompanied by a mbr of the state security police, told the girl's parents: "If your daughter marries out of her class, you will be expelled from the party and will lose your job on the collective farm." The engagement was broken.—*Minneapolis Tribune.*

CONVERSATION—11

Conversation is the art of hearing as well as being heard.—*Irish Confectioner.*

DIVORCE—12

A well-known movie actress recently went thru a marriage ceremony in Mexico with a movie actor who is 35. At the same time, her 3rd husband, also 35, was applying for a license to marry the 23-yr-old governess of their 3-yr-old child. After the marriage ceremony, the much-married actress was asked to pose for a picture while kissing the groom. She refused because, in her own words, "I came from New England, and we simply don't do things like that in public in New England."—*Ave Maria.*

EDUCATION—13

Just as education without humanity is the most dangerous thing in the world, so education

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in love, human understanding, and co-operation is the greatest hope of the world.—JOY ELMER MORGAN, editor, *NEA Jnl.*

EFFICIENCY—14

If Moses had been a committee the Israelites would still be in Egypt.—J B HUGHES, *Irish Digest*. (Dublin)

EXAGGERATION—15

A parrot is the only creature gifted with the power of speech that is content to repeat what it hears without trying to make a good story.—*Milwaukee Jnl Mag.*

FREEDOM—16

The spiritual effect of industrial freedom is of incalculable potency in determining the moral fiber of the nation.—*Journeyman Barber.*

They say . . .

A 35-page bill to cut governmental red tape passed the House recently. In interests of consistency, 47 pages of explanation were attached . . . The 85 performances of the '50 Oberammergau' Passion Play drew a record attendance of 510,000 people from all over the world . . . A major airline is placing cameras aboard its planes for passenger use . . . Smithsonian Inst scientists have revealed discovery of at least 79 new types of fish at Bikini atoll before and after '46 atomic bomb tests. New varieties are not attributed to atomic radiation, merely to extensive studies in connection with the Operation Crossroads project.

GALLANTRY—17

In some railway stations in the old South, where gallantry held sway, there were special entrances for ladies and special provisions for their comfort and safety. Special guards escorted them to seats. Standard equipment carried by the guards was a bottle of smelling salts in case one of the ladies should faint.—*Railway Progress.*

GOSSIP—18

Gossip is letting the chat out of the bag.—HUGH W PHILLIPS, *Catholic Digest.*

GOVT—19

Mr Truman has become the greatest cabinet-changer in all American history. In 3 yrs and 3

mo's, he changed 38 mbrs of his cabinet and sub-cabinet (Army, Navy and Air secretaries). He has had 4 secretaries of State, 3 in the Treasury, 3 in Defense, 5 in the Army, 3 in the Navy, 2 in the Air Force, and 3 each in Agriculture, Interior, Labor, and Commerce. He also has had 3 Attorneys Gen'l and 3 Postmasters Gen'l. — WM K HUTCHINSON, *1 N S.*

HAPPINESS—20

Happiness is a hard thing because it is achieved only by making others happy.—STEWART CLOETE, *Third Way*, (Houghton, Mifflin)

INFORMATION — Distorted — 21

The Russian charge about us, which deliberately misleads so many millions of people, should be met by a greatly expanded U S Dep't of Correction, Amplification, and Abuse. Misinformation, even when not deliberate, is at the bottom of much human misery. A 56-yr-old N Y delivery man pushed his handcart 13 mi's extra because his employer had written "23rd St" so that it looked like "234th St." This was mere carelessness. But think of the journeys that are being made in the world by those who are pushing a heavy handcart in an impossible direction under misapprehensions of one sort or another!—*New Yorker.*

INTEREST—22

Few kindnesses are as warmly welcomed as sincere, objective interest.—NORMAN G. SHIDLE, editor, *SAE Jnl.*

LABOR—23

Some labor organizations do not know whether they are a labor union or political party. When labor becomes a political unit it gradually ceases to become an organization working for the interest of the laboring man.—MARTIN W CLEMENT, Pennsylvania Ry board chairman, quoted in *Nation's Agriculture.*

LAW—24

These are difficult times for the bench and the bar. The law works best in periods of calm. It requires patient hearings, calm deliberation and detached judgment. — ROBERT JACKSON, Assoc Justice, U S Supreme Court.

LEADERSHIP—25

Experts should be on tap, not on top.—*Money.*

LIFE—Purpose—26

A nation, as well as a man, must have a cause to live.—ARCHIBALD MACLEISH, "Hysterical Suspicions, Unmanly Fears," *Christian Register*, 8-'50.

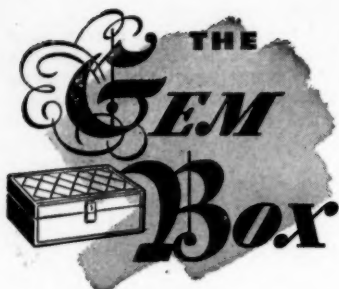


A water link connecting the Hudson River and New York City with the Great Lakes had long been a dream of those who foresaw the tremendous influence such a waterway would have upon the economic development not only of the east coast, but of the entire country.

The War of 1812 delayed action on the project and not until 1817 did work actually commence on what was to be the country's largest artificial waterway—the Erie Canal. A rising young political leader, DE WITT CLINTON, was appointed pres of the Erie commission, and in this connection became so popular he was elected gov of N Y. In the face of all opposition to his "big ditch," as it was called, CLINTON cont'd his promotion of the project. After a brief term out of office, he again became gov and finally witnessed the completion of a work which owed more to him than to any other man.

Oct 26, 1825,* dawned bright and clear. In Buffalo, as the ceremonies began, Gov CLINTON dipped a cask into the waters of Lake Erie. Accompanied by continuous ovations from the crowds which lined the banks of the canal, he and his party floated down the new waterway to N Y C where, with due pomp, he emptied the cask into the Atlantic to celebrate the "marriage" of Erie and the ocean waters.

And so the Erie Canal was opened 125 yrs ago, making N Y the gateway to half a continent in handling the rapidly growing traffic of the Great Lakes, enabling the city to take advantage of its excellent harbor to become the unquestioned commercial metropolis of the U S.



UN Day*

The great majority of mankind, some 1,700,000,000 people, represented by delegates of 50 nations, resolved on June 26, '45 "to unite their strength" to create a new world organization. On that day they signed the Charter which governs the United Nations. By Oct 24th, all req'd ratifications of the Charter had been deposited and it took effect as world law. And that day is officially designated as United Nations Day.

The N Y Times Mag recently gathered together some relevant statements from a number of dignitaries. We present a few from that source.

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The United Nations are an unchallengeable power to lead the world to prosperity, freedom, and happiness. — WINSTON CHURCHILL, British statesman.

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The United Nations will work if it becomes the important project of the peoples of this earth. It will not work if it just becomes the organization of diplomats and representatives from the various countries.—HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS, American congresswoman.

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The United Nations way to peace above all else is the way of mediation and conciliation of disputes, of unceasing effort to achieve the co-operation for peace of nations with utterly different systems and traditions—and of unfaltering belief that this can be done.—TAYGVE LIE, UN Sec'y Gen'l, from Norway.

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Upon the success of that organization depends the fulfillment of humanity's highest aspirations and the very survival of our civilization. — CORDELL HULL, American statesman.

LUXURY—27

Luxury is anything that costs more to sell than it does to make. —Banking.

MAN—28

We have failed to grasp the fact that mankind is becoming a single unit and that for a unit to fight against itself is suicide. —HAELOCK ELLIS, *My Confessional*. (Random House)

MANNERS—29

Elizabeth, altho still very young, was being raised as a "woman of the world."

When Elizabeth's mouth suddenly opened very wide, her mother commented, "A real lady never yawns."

The child wrinkled her forehead in perplexity. "I know," she said, "but I didn't think that a real lady would notice another lady yawning."—N Y Staats-Zeitung und Herold. (QUOTE translation)

MEMORIES—30

Pleasant memories must be arranged for in advance.—RAY D EVERSON, *Ind Farmers Guide*.

MONEY—31

Money behaves the most peculiarly of any commodity. It dribbles in at a snail's pace, but it departs with a rush that may be best described as breathtaking and jet propelled.—Charles City (Ia) Press.

OPPORTUNITY—32

If a man is looking for "magic" or some mysterious short-cut to provide for his future, he will be disappointed. But if willing to take advantage of the many opportunities that are his, he has the world's best chance of making good.—W W SEBALD, pres, Armco Steel Corp'n, in *Arm-Co-Operator*.

ORIGIN: Snob—33

In early English univ's, many students were of noble rank, while others, who were commoners, tried to act as if they were of the nobility. Finally the officials, trying to determine who really had titles, listed the names and after the names of commoners put the inscription: S Nob, an abbreviation for the Latin *Sine Nobilitate*, meaning "without noble blood." Thus, originally, the word "snob" applied to the imbeciles who gave themselves noble airs.—Cuba y Espana. (QUOTE translation)

PEACE—34

The reason we have no peace in the world, in society, in personal relations, is that we have no peace within ourselves.—ARTHUR W SPALDING, "War No More," *Signs of the Times*, 8-8-'50.

POLITICS—35

Politicians are the same all over the world. We compare them to coastal defense guns many yrs ago. Every time they fire off their muzzles, their platforms disappear. —ARTHUR "BUGS" BAER, *I N S*.

PRAYER—36

Prayer should give us a new psychological "road map" by which to reach happiness and success, but the "gasoline" for attaining those destinations must still be furnished by the person who does the praying.—Dr GEO W CRANE, *Hopkins Syndicate*.

PROGRESS—37

Dr Rob't Milliken, a winner of the Nobel prize and a great scientist, once said: "You know what is the greatest thing a boy can learn in college? It is that we have come from somewhere and are going somewhere. The great architect of the universe never built a stairway that leads to nowhere." —GROVE PATTERSON, editor, *Toledo Blade*, in recent address.

RUSSIA—Propaganda—38

Russian propaganda is an engaging form of propaganda for (the Negro) people. It promises equality. But from the past acts of the

Point of View

I hate the chap who tries to beat the traffic light;
But if it happens to me—why, that's quite all right—
I loathe the car that in a jam twists out and in;
But if I'm sitting at the wheel, I slyly grin.
At the drivers who lean on their horns, I rave and shout;
But when some fool gets in my way, I honk him out—
I grow indignant at the chance another takes;
But I drive 60 mi's an hr, and trust my brakes.
I wonder is it possible they cannot see—
That traffic laws were made for them and not for me?—
Supercharger.

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Soviet, it's obvious the propaganda can't be trusted—and the bulk of the Negroes I talk to can see it.—Dr DOROTHY B FEREBEE, pres, Nat'l Council of Negro Women.

RELIGION—40

Religion is no more a personal affair than is politics, or business, or philosophy.

What we *think* affects the whole world. What we *do* in *business* affects the whole world. What we *do* in *politics* affects the whole world. Surely what we *worship* affects the whole world.—Rev ARTHUR G-T COURTEAU, Canon, Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville, Ky.

SECURITY—41

Insecurity is the chief propulsive power in the world. Guarantee a man's living and you have a man who is worth less to himself and society than when he had to struggle for survival.—WM FEATHER, *Enos Mag*, hm, Enos Coal. Co.

SEXES—42

Woman looks into the depths, man looks into the distance. For a man, the world is the heart, for a woman the heart is the world.—*Schenectady Herold-Jnl.* (QUOTE translation)

SPEECH—43

Speech is the gift of all, but thought of few.—MARCUS CATO, Roman patriot.

SUCCESS—44

Success means gittin' along with people, not tryin' to git ahead of 'em.—*Exec*, hm, American Chamber of Commerce.

TEACHING—45

Teaching is an art, not a science . . . Teaching is not like inducing a chemical reaction; it is more like painting a picture or making a piece of music, or on a lower level like planting a garden or writing a friendly letter. You must throw your heart into it, you must realize that it cannot be done by formulas, or you will spoil your work, your pupils and yourself.—GILBERT HIGHER, *Art of Teaching*. (Knopf)

TIME—46

Time is the greatest of all tyrants. As we go on toward age, he taxes our health, limbs, faculties, strength and features.—J POSTER, quoted in *Forbes*.

TRUTH—Falsehood—47

Unless a person constantly keeps a partition between his imagination and his facts, he is in danger of becoming just an ordinary liar.—*Gluey Gleanings*, hm, Commercial Paste Co.

VALUES—48

Sometimes I get the uncomfortable feeling that we have created so many toys for ourselves in the last 50 yrs that they are taking our time away from the fundamentals of our existence. I'll wager a lot of people spend more time trying to figure out the wk's "mystery tune" than they do the qualifications of the man who will get their vote for Congress.—LELAND I DOAN, *Detroit*.

VIEWPOINT—49

When a man wants to murder a tiger, he classes it sport, but when the tiger wants to murder him he calls it ferocity.—*Springfield Republican*.

VOTING—50

Some may think, "I am only a quiet citizen without influence in my community. One person with 1 vote doesn't count." But:

One vote elected one of our great presidents, Thos Jefferson, in the Electoral College. One vote elected John Quincy Adams and Rutherford B Hayes in the same way. And the man who cast the deciding vote for Hayes was a Congressman from Ind, who was elected himself by only 1 vote. Just 1 vote brought Calif, Ida, Ore, Tex and Wash into statehood. The draft act of World War II passed the House by 1 vote.—MORRIS SAYRE, "Are We Keeping the Faith?" *Royle Forum*, hm, John Royle & Sons, 9-15-'50.

WAR—51

Nothing in all this world can match war for popularity. It is the show beyond compare. It combines all the excitements of a bullfight, a revival, a train wreck, and a lynching. It is the dizziest, gaudiest, grandest, damndest sort of bust up that the human mind can imagine.—H L MENCKEN, *Money*.

WORK—52

The judge spoke long and eloquently before the high school class, stressing strongly the virtue of hard, persistent labor. The class took the speech in good spirit

tinged, no doubt, by a good bit of skepticism. The skepticism might have gone unexpressed, however, if one lanky youth had not raised a question when the talk was over. "How come, Judge—if hard labor's the pleasure you say it is—that you sent my uncle up for 30 days of it—for punishment?"—*Execs' Digest*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's, Boston.

WORLD AFFAIRS—53

The two most important—and unappreciated and under-rated—figures of our time are the salesman and the politician. What we require, far more than bombs and planes and battleships, is a high level of political salesmanship, the salesmanship of ideas projected at internat'l levels.—*Sales Mgt*.



Using another's glasses to take a look at ourselves and the customs we take for granted can be amusing and startling. ORMSBY GREEN, in the *Aug American Mag*, describes the literal observation of a visitor to our shores:

A communist, reporting to his local Soviet after his ret'n from a gov't mission in the U S, said, "America is so desperate for food her people have taken to the last resource of a starving nation. They are killing their dogs and eating them; and this fact is so well known that no attempt at concealment is made. At a baseball game I attended, vendors in white jackets passed among the spectators shamelessly offering sandwiches of dog meat for sale, and crying out, 'Hot dogs!' Moreover, they were snatched up at such speed as to indicate gen'l starvation. This fact was also openly admitted; a young woman who was in the throng of unemployed at the ball park, asked by her escort whether she would care for a dog-meat sandwich, repl'd, 'Yes, I'm starving.'"

GOOD STORIES

You Can Use

The inhabitants of a small town, after a lot of trouble, had finally obtained a post office. It was situated in the gen'l store and the owner of the store was appointed the postmaster.

But every day complaints about the non-arrival of letters came to the new postmaster. At last he got exasperated and pointing to a corner of the store, he said: "Look, there's the mail bag. It's not half full yet and it's just a waste of time to send it away until I have it filled!"—DAVE CASTLE, *American Legion Mag.*

If the U S can clean out pockets in Korea like it cleans out ours over here, the war would be over in a matter of hrs.—PETE BAIRD, *Times-Picayune New Orleans States.*

A young soldier in a hospital had rec'd many kindnesses from a woman visitor, who asked him one day if there was anything she could send him to while away the long hrs of convalescence. He repl'd that he would like to have a record of Beethoven's *Moonlight Sonata*.

Some days later he was astonished to receive a letter which read: "I have got you a record of Frank Sinatra singing *Moonlight*, but nobody seems to have heard of Bert Hoven's band."—*United Mine Workers Jnl.*

Not all men are homeless, but some are home less than others.—*Construction Digest.*

There was a blend of love and adv'g in this society item which appeared in the *Mowbridge* (S D) *Tribune*:

"Miss Jennie Jones and Bob Henry were married at the Jones mansion last night. The bride is the daughter of Constable Jones who has made a good officer and will undoubtedly be re-elected this spring. He offers a fine horse for sale in another col of this issue. The groom runs a grocery store on Main st and is a steady patron of our adv'g col's. He has a good line of bargains in his ad this wk. All

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

Lt Gen ROBT L EICHELBARGER
Army officer

On my way into Japan to take part in the surrender and to serve as an occupation leader, I got to talking with a mbr of the 4th Marine regiment that had been landed by the navy. I asked him about the landings.

"Our 1st wave," the marine said, quite without malice, "was made up entirely of admirals trying to get ashore before MacArthur."—*Our Jungle Road to Tokyo.* (Viking)

summer he paid 2¢ more for butter than any other store in town. They were married by Rev Josiah Butterworth, who last wk called this office and gave us a nice order for handbills. Jennie and Bob left on the 10 o'clock train for Milwaukee to visit the bride's uncle, who, we understand, has lots of money."

If cars are built any lower, how can they run over pedestrians?—*Magi-Glo News*

One of the big airlines recently put in an order for paper containers to place in their planes for the convenience of passengers who get airsick. They've been using the kind of cardboard containers your coffee comes in when you send down to the corner drug store. But the airline had to send all of the new shipment back—after the first users complained bitterly to the stewardesses. The complaint, it seems, was centered around a certain statement printed inside the cover of the containers which read: "Thank you. Come again!"—D-N FENNETT.

Actor Michael O'Shea accompanied his wife, Virginia Mayo, to England recently for the shooting of a new film. O'Shea thought he'd please Virginia by sending to

America for a box of her favorite chocolates. The box arrived in due time via expensive air express. Bold letters on the box proclaimed: "Made in England."—HAROLD HELLER, *Flying.*

What women know about men doesn't am't to much, but what they suspect makes up for it.—*Richland Press.*

Stomach trouble had been the bane of Mike's existence for quite a while. Finally his doctor, putting him to rights, rendered a bill. Mike stormed into the office and shook the bill under the physician's nose. "What's the meaning of this?" he demanded. "All along you said you were treating me."—LURAL LEE, *Medical Economics.*

A for'gn delegate to the UN motored thru New England and was reported to have been shocked by the "open display of sex mindedness in that part of the country."

When asked what he meant specifically, he said, "Well, as I drove along the highway, it confronted me again and again. First it was 'Soft Shoulders,' then, 'Dangerous Curves,' 'Five Gals for \$1,' 'Try Ethel,' and finally, 'Watch Out for Children.'"—*Gas Service.*

Our founding fathers who admonished us to "avoid entangling alliances" must be pirouetting in their sarcophagi. — T HARRY THOMPSON, *Sales Mgt.*

While Gen Moreau was in the U S, he had a pleasant surprise. He attended a concert in which they sang a song whose refrain was "To-morrow, to-morrow." He thought that they were singing a cantata in his honor, thinking they said "To Moreau." Every time the refrain was sung, he rose and made a broad, sweeping gesture with his arm to his gracious public, which is turn was greatly per-

plexed as no one knew him nor could anyone understand what was going on.—*L'Action Sociale, Haiti.* (QUOTE translation) h

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Grace Sutton, author of *Foot-loose in Italy*, reports that the Excelsior Hotel in Rome will put plaques in its suites, glorifying the presence of former guests. Among other problems is this one: when Nazi Marshal Kesselring fled before the American forces in '43 his room was occupied by Gen Mark Clark. Since the room doesn't have twin beds the plaque can hardly read: "Marshal Kesselring and Gen Clark slept here!"—*HY GARDNER, Parade.* i

Nov race

It must mean something that whereas they say They "run" for office in the U S A, The stolid British, on the other hand, When facing the electors, merely "stand."—*Punch.* (London) j

An Irishman passed a shop which adv'd "Everything Sold by the Yd." Thinking to play a joke on the shopkeeper, the Irishman went in and asked for a yd of milk.

The shopkeeper, not to be outdone, dipped in his finger in a bowl of milk and drew a line a yd long on the counter. "Five cents, please," he said. "All right," the Irishman came back, "roll it up and I'll take it!"—*Yellow Jacket.* (Marianna, Fla) k

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The average girl needs more beauty than brains because the average man can see better than he can think—*Gas Flame, hm, Citizens Gas and Coke Utility.*

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When Van Heflin was playing the lead-role of the reporter in *The Philadelphia Story* he was informed by a journalist friend that a group of top-notch Philadelphia newspapermen planned to see the show that night.

"How do you feel about having

an audience of perfectionists out front?" Heflin was asked.

Shooting his questioner a long glance, the actor repl'd, "Well, about the way you'd feel doing black-face for a group of African chiefs."—*GEO HENHOEFFER.* i

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When we're followed by a speed demon who keeps on honking his horn, we hear the Gall of the Open Road.—*Wall St Jnl.*

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"My name is Soda Cracker," said a small Chinese boy to Father Edwin McCabe, of Providence, R I, at the Maryknoll mission in Kweilin, China.

"Ah," prompted Father McCabe, "that's your nickname. Now, what is your real name?"

"My real name I use only on Sundays," repl'd the youngster, seriously. "It's Layer Cake." — *Southern Cross.* m

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Notice outside a police station, offering a reward for information leading to the recapture of a dangerous convict: "Age not known, but looks older than he is."—*Contact.* n

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An Army recruit was before the sgt for classification. The sgt asked him what he'd like to do. "P-p-p-p-p-p-p," stuttered the recruit.

"Fine," said the sgt. "Machine gunner."—*MARK BELTAIRE, Detroit Free-Press.* o

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The accused admitted that he had accepted a bribe from the conservative candidate.

"So you sold your vote," said the judge, sternly.

Witnesses were called and it was revealed that the accused had also accepted a bribe from the liberal candidate.

"And for whom did you finally vote, since the bribes were equal?" inquired the judge.

"Naturally I voted according to my convictions."

The case had to be dismissed.—*Die Zeit, Hamburg, Germany* (QUOTE translation) p



AUTOMOBILES — Appliances: Tire-Larm is special valve cap attachment which whistles loudly when tire pressure drops below required poundage. Can be adjusted for any specific pressure. (*News-week*)

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COMMUNICATIONS: Nationwide private wire system called *Bank Wire* will connect banks in 54 major cities. To be placed in operation Nov 1, system has been engineered, developed by Western Union Telegraph Co. Confidential communications line will be operated by company's employees. (*Financial World*)

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MUSIC: Practice device for drummers, recently patented, simulates effect of drum on drumsticks, but gives off very little noise. (*Sat Review of Literature*)

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PHOTOGRAPHY: U S Air Force can now erect 80 ft long photographic dark room and briefing tent in 6 min's, using fiberglass fabric and a few columns of air. Waterproof utility tent weighs 740 lbs, measures 21 ft wide, 16 ft high. It is fastened together with 320 ft of zippers. B F Goodrich Co, Akron, Ohio. (*Forbes*)

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TEXTILES: Spun lead glass, developed by Bar-Ray Products, Inc, 209 25th St, Brooklyn, N Y, helps protect doctors, nurses from X-ray and beta radiation when woven into gowns. (*Business Wk*)

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WEATHER: Windshield protector, for use at drive-in movies, is a visor-like attachment to keep rain and snow off windshield and promote good vision. Flexible plastic mat'l, easily and quickly attached, is held in place by a framework extending under car's door. (*Science News Letter*)

